

TO: PUBLIC HEALTH COMMITTEE: Gerratana, Terry, Chair; Johnson, Susan, Chair; Slossberg, Gayle, Vice Chair; Miller, Philip, Vice Chair; Welch, Jason, Ranking Member; Srinivasan, Prasad, Ranking Member; and Members- Alexander, David, Arconti; David; Bartolomeo, Danté; Betts, Whit; Cook, Michelle; Conroy, Theresa; Davis, Cristopher; Demicco, Mike; Hovey, DebraLee; Kane, Robert; Klarides, Themis; Maroney, James; Musto, Anthony; Perillo,

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Raised Bill SB-1128: AN ACT CONCERNING INFLUENZA IMMUNIZATIONS FOR HEALTH CARE EMPLOYEES

I am submitting my **OPPOSITION** to SB-1128 for the following reasons, and urge you to do the same.

- Under the threat of unemployment, and the guise of "safety" for all, I will be forced to accept a
 vaccination that I do not want; allow the state to dictate what freedoms I have to my own body; to
 abandon my individual rights and responsibility-- to comply with the state, and the "collective". This is
 a dangerous precedent
- Patients themselves are not mandated to take the vaccine; and visitors, families, vendors, and anyone else are not required to have taken the vaccine
- A study done by the University of Calgary, has a <u>paper published in 2010</u> by the respected Cochrane
 Library. The study found that immunizing nursing-home workers does nothing to prevent confirmed
 influenza cases among the homes' elderly residents http://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pubmed/20166073
 http://vran.org/in-the-news/forced-flu-vaccination-of-healthcare-workers-threatens-health-and-liberty/
- The annual flu vaccine hype is medical dogma at its worst. The fear based propaganda is delivered to every man, woman and child, courtesy of mainstream media.
- There is NO conclusive of the vaccines effectiveness http://www.cdc.gov/flu/about/qa/vaccineeffect.htm#outcomes

The very term "Seasonal" Flu epidemic, or outbreak, is in of itself an oxymoron.

While we have been told the flu has been especially rampant here in Connecticut, the reported flu cases by DPH are less than 1% of the population. CT DPH Flu Stats 2012-13:

http://www.ct.gov/dph/lib/dph/infectious_diseases/flu/stats/flu_table.pdf CT Population:
https://www.google.com/search?q=ct+population&ie=utf-8&oe=utf-8&aq=t&rls=org.mozilla:en-US:official&client=firefox-a

Universal precautions by all health care workers are sufficient for my patients' protection, and their individual rights and health care decisions DO NOT trump mine.

Thank you for your time,

Bridgeport, Connecticut

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